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Close supporters of Galo Plaza are concerned lest the military revolts in Peru and Venezuela may act as an impetus in accentuating the growing opposition in Ecuador, both within the Army and among politicians, to the President. Plaza's followers acknowledge that he is without political support, that he has antagonized the Army, and that labor is only temporarily appeased by unfulfilled promises. Many of those who backed his political campaign have also lost confidence in him. In anticipation of a crisis, his close advisors have recommended to him that he put his case before the public, who appear to be his only support, and that he clean out the Army regardless of the consequences.

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